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HITCHING A RIDE ON A COMET

Scientists react in the main control room at the European Space Agency in Darmstadt, Germany, on Wednesday after the first unmanned spacecraft landed on a comet called 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko. Europe's Rosetta space probe was launched in 2004 with the aim of studying the comet and learning more about the origins of the universe. Story, page 14. J.MAI/ESA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Projected fed surplus no pot of gold

Cuts to blame.
Tories project \$2.9B shortfall this fiscal year

Finance Minister Joe Oliver didn't exactly spoil Christmas, but he did make it clear Wednesday that the Conservative government's political rivals will have less money to fight over next year than they might have expected.

The federal budget surplus will be just \$1.9 billion, Oliver said — \$4.5 billion less than projected, thanks in large part to the government's costly new tax cuts and benefits for families with kids.

"For Canada, the recession is long gone, but its ghost still lingers in the world economy," said Oliver, who delivered the fiscal update at an event in Toronto. His calculations include a contingency fund of \$3 billion that will be used to pay down debt if not needed.

He underscored four con-

secutive years of trimming federal program spending, arguing only the Conservatives' low-tax plan for jobs and growth will lead to prosperity.

That includes a new family-friendly tax and benefit package that will take an estimated \$27 billion from public coffers over six years and keep Canada from balancing the books before the end of the current fiscal year.

The measures include a boost to child-care benefits and a controversial income-splitting plan for families with children.

The government's critics say it will benefit only a wealthy 15 per cent of Canadian families.

"It's more of a mirage," NDP Leader Tom Mulcair said of the projected surplus. "It's based on cuts," cuts to vital services like railway inspections and services for veterans, he said.

An NDP government would not raise personal income taxes but would hike corporate taxes cut by the Tories, he said.

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Cornwall

Police: Sewing needle found in Halloween candy

Police in Cornwall say a sewing needle was discovered in a child's Coffee Crisp Halloween candy Wednesday — candy the child got from trick-or-treating in the neighbourhood.

The needle was found before the child took a bite of the candy and nobody was injured, according to Cornwall Police Spokesperson Const. Dan Cloutier.

Cloutier couldn't answer whether the package of the chocolate bar had been tampered with, whether the needle was sticking out of the bar or fully encased in the chocolate. Police are still investigating the incident.

Police put out an immediate release to parents, said Cloutier. The goal is to try to find any more cases, if they exist, but so far it seems like an "isolated incident," said Cloutier.

"We have got to get the message out quick and prompt just to make people aware that stuff like this does happen," said Cloutier.

The news comes a week after a 10-year-old child in Ottawa discovered a sewing needle in a Snickers Halloween bar. In this case, the child also got the candy while trick-or-treating in the Thistledown Court neighbourhood of Barrhaven. He wasn't injured.

Police in the Maritimes are investigating at least six similar cases.

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Yang Sheng is the restaurant with the most orders through the website Just-Eat.ca in Ottawa. SEAN MCKIBBON/METRO

Ottawa's busiest takeout eateries

New ranking. Online delivery service puts Yang Sheng at No. 1 with 3,500 orders



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It may be called "No. 1 Chinese Food," but according to a new ranking, the Wellington Street West eatery is only the second most popular takeout joint in Ottawa.

New data released Wednesday from Just-Eat.ca ranked the

top 10 takeout spots in Ottawa based on the number of food orders processed through the site within the past year.

Yang Sheng, located at the corner of Bronson Avenue and Somerset Street, appears to be the No. 1 choice for hungry Ottawans looking for some quick grub.

Just-Eat.ca processed approximately 3,500 orders at Yang Sheng, while the No. 2 spot had just over 3,000 orders, according to Brittney McKee, public relations manager of Butter Public Relations Inc.

The ranking would only be representative of those who use the website, as opposed to

those who call the restaurant directly or place orders on the restaurant's own website.

"It's very, very accurate feedback," said Sam Fung, owner of Yang Sheng, which has been around for 30 years. "We know we have quite a bit of orders from Just-Eat."

Fung said the eatery's dim sum, egg rolls, Cantonese and Szechuan-style items are among the most popular dishes.

Ottawa is seen by many as having some of the best shawarma around, but only one restaurant — Rideau Street's Shawarma King — made the cut.

Most ordered online

Here's the complete ranking from Just-Eat.ca:

1. Yang Sheng
2. No. 1 Chinese Food
3. Shawarma King (on Rideau Street)
4. New Hong Kong
5. House of Georgie
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NAC celebrating Shakespeare's 450th with reading of A Midsummer Night's Dream

Happy birthday!

Actor Colm Feore will be narrating one of Shakespeare's most well-known comedies



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The NAC Orchestra is wishing William Shakespeare a happy birthday this week — No. 450.

Ottawa's premiere theatre is putting on a reading of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* Nov. 12-13, as the world celebrates the birthday of arguably the greatest writer of all time.

The orchestra was busy rehearsing songs for the performance Wednesday afternoon, with actor Colm Feore running through his lines as narrator while guest conductor and Music Director Designate of the NAC Orchestra Alexander Shelley



NAC Orchestra Music Director Designate Alexander Shelley conducts a rehearsal on Wednesday for *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO

ley created layers of colourful music behind him.

It's the first time conductor Shelley and actor Feore have

shared the stage, but the two found instant chemistry. During a rehearsal Wednesday, layers of deep sound echoed from

the stage and blended perfectly with Feore's words.

Shelley has mixed things up for the performance, selecting

Quoted

"It's all about sex and the confusions and delights associated with negotiations between our world and the world of the ethereal, the fairy world, where all is possible and all are welcome. We lose ourselves to find ourselves anew."

Colm Feore, actor, discusses *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

lesser-known musical works by Erich Wolfgang Korngold and Otto Nicolai to accompany the script — pieces inspired by the late great bard.

"The amazing thing about works which take Shakespeare as an inspiration is that, in the best case scenario, they augment something which is already perfect," said Shelley. "The music gives vivid and charming depiction of characters from all three plays — *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and of course, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. My hope for the audience is that, through music, they are

transported into the fantastical, romantic and comic world that Shakespeare created."

Audiences may recognize Feore's face from big-screen blockbusters *Thor* and *Jack Ryan*. He has also starred in several TV dramas including *Law & Order SVU*. But audiences will see a different face at the front of the NAC Southam Hall on Wednesday and Thursday, as he narrates one of Shakespeare's most classic comedies.

"*Dream* deserves more attention, because as one of Shakespeare's most popular plays, it repays repeated study," said Feore.

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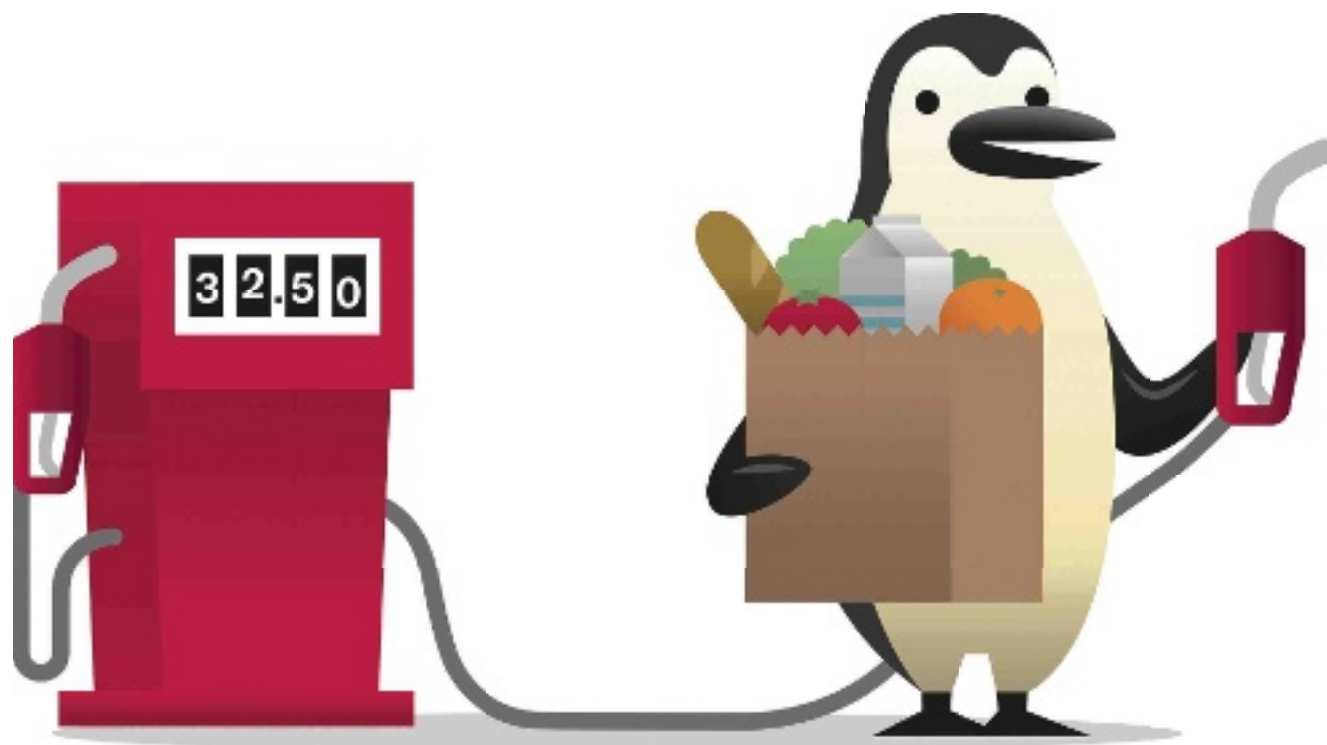
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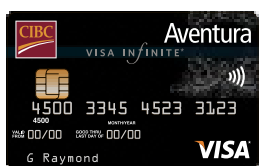


Actor Colm Feore reads lines from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* as Director Designate of the NAC Orchestra Alexander Shelley watches during a rehearsal at the NAC Wednesday. TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO



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Witness to alleged inmate assault uses 'shock' as 'excuse': Defence

Melissa Schell.
Correctional officer
testifies in case of
colleague's alleged
assault on inmate



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A correctional officer testified she was in such "shock" when she witnessed colleague John Barbro stomp on an inmate's head that she failed to address policy breaches to staff.

Melissa Schell was back in court on Wednesday as a witness to the incident that allegedly took place at the Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre on Oct. 23, 2010. She said she saw Barbro stomp on the head of inmate Jean Paul Rheume, who has a brain injury.

She said she was too in "shock" to bring up the fact that certain workplace policies were breached during the alleged assault.

"That's going to be your main excuse ... 'I was in shock,'" retorted defence lawyer Michael Edelson, who fired questions at Schell about her knowledge of workplace rules, including the use-of-force policy.

Her partner — who was with her when they tried restraining Rheume — escorted the inmate away after the alleged assault. That in itself contravenes work policies, noted Edelson, adding that one of the other 30 officers in the area at the time should have led away the battered Rheume.

Edelson also pressed Schell on her account of the incident, asking if the general work "rumour mill" might not have fogged her memory. She remained firm.

"I know what I saw," she said.

Schell was suspended for 15 days following the incident.

Barbro, however, was fired from his job and now faces a charge of assault causing bodily harm.

The trial continues on Thursday.

Events

When the alleged assault happened in 2010, Jean Paul Rheume was serving 30 days' jail time for failing to make court appearances.

- After the alleged assault, Rheume was shipped off to solitary confinement for 30 days, without privileges. He was allowed no visits, no phone calls and had to eat meals in his cell.



Melissa Schell, a correctional officer at the Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre, leaves the courthouse on Wednesday. She's a witness to an alleged assault between colleague John Barbro and inmate Jean Paul Rheume.

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Former Ottawa bus driver used web to lure girls, court hears

William Groves found guilty. There were 17 victims from the Ottawa area and beyond, aged 12 to 17 years old



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A former city bus driver guilty of child porn possession and luring young girls used several fake aliases on Facebook, MSN and Skype to lure his victims, court heard on Wednesday.

William Groves, 51, sat with his head bowed in court on Wednesday morning, during a hearing that will determine whether he should be labeled a Dangerous Offender and jailed indefinitely.

Groves, who wore a blond beard and a low ponytail, would look up to see the pages of names displayed on a computer monitor in court. They were mostly girls' names who he befriended on Facebook, Skype or added to MSN under the aliases Sean O'Brian, Mitchell Hamilton or Wesley Scott.

Under the Mitchell account, Groves would pretend to be somewhere between 17 and 29 years old — acting as a mature man looking for relationships with younger girls — court heard on Wednesday.

He also instructed girls to masturbate on webcam.

There were 17 victims from the Ottawa area and beyond, aged 12 to 17 years old. None of the victims' names or email addresses can be named due to a publication ban.

Crown prosecutor Marie Dufort is asking for Groves to be labeled as a dangerous of-

fender. If he is found to be a dangerous offender, he could spend an indefinite time in jail.

According to the dangerous offender application, Groves breached court orders prohibiting him from contacting people under 16 or using a computer to contact girls under 14 years old.

Groves was fired from his job as an OC Transpo bus driver in 2004 for molesting young girls.

He was one of five Ottawa men charged of possessing child pornography in February 2012. He was also charged with luring a child by computer, sexual assault, sexual interference, invitation to sexual touching, extortion, breach of court imposed conditions and possession of child pornography.

He pleaded guilty to more than 20 charges on Sept. 27, 2013. He has been ordered to undergo psychiatric testing.



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Ottawa native Jake Fox, left, has just signed a contract with Johns Hopkins University to play Div. 1 NCAA lacrosse next season. CONTRIBUTED

Ottawa lacrosse star makes NCAA

Johns Hopkins University. Jake Fox hopes move will take him to pro leagues as player or coach



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When Jake Fox began his lacrosse career with the little Gloucester Griffins at age eight, he had no idea where it would take him — a spot on a junior A team in Peterborough, a starting role at the athletic-based Hill Academy, a roster spot on the gold medal-winning Team

Ontario and now a scholarship at a top Div. 1 NCAA school.

Fox just signed with Johns Hopkins University (JHU) for September 2015 — an accomplishment the 18-year-old Ottawa native says he has been dreaming of.

"This is a process that is two and a half years in the making, and I finally get to put my name down on paper saying I'm going to become a Johns Hopkins Blue Jay next fall," said Fox. "I've been waiting for this day for a long time."

Currently, the six-foot-three, 200-pound attack man is ranked No. 23 on Inside Lacrosse's list of the Top 25 High School Players in North America and likely could have gone

to any Div. 1 school of his liking. He chose JHU for its storied history — the 44 NCAA titles the Blue Jays have won and the 183 First-Team All-Americans the school has produced. JHU is consistently ranked among the top 10 NCAA schools for lacrosse. The school is also well known for its academics.

"I have a chance to play for the most storied lacrosse programs of all time and a chance to play for a national championship," he said.

"I'm hoping it leads me to a professional career as either a player or a coach. I'm also hoping that because I'm going to get a degree from JHU it leads me to a great job within the business world."

Sparks Street BIA boss fired

Les Gagne, the man who raised the profile of the Spark Street pedestrian mall with multiple food festivals, a busker festival and a high-profile New Year's Eve bash, has been fired from his post as head of the Sparks Street Business Improvement Area (BIA).

Gagne spent two years as executive director of the BIA and tried to create a real buzz on the downtown pedestrian street with a poutine festival, a rib festival, a weekend-long busker festival and a Times Square-style New Year's Eve bash featuring big Canadian acts like K-OS and the Arkells.

"I was let go because they are going in a different direction. That's all I know," Gagne



Les Gagne CONTRIBUTED

told Metro in an email Wednesday. Gagne wouldn't elaborate, on the advice of his lawyer.

Board members at the Sparks Street BIA didn't return Metro's calls Wednesday.

While Gagne's tenure saw a lot of growth with new shops

opening up like the Bier Markt, set to open Monday, it has also been marred by endless construction, as Public Works continues to work on the north side of the street. Gagne also promised a zip line to stretch the urban street, but it didn't come to fruition. The former BIA boss also faced backlash this summer when the popular Sparks Street Farmers' Market shrunk to just one vendor after new rules prevented vendors from selling hot food.

There is no word on a replacement for Gagne, but the Sparks Street website is promising that details will be released soon on its New Year's Eve Capital Countdown.

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Two men dead in plane crash

Authorities say the pilot of a small plane that crashed in Algonquin Provincial Park grew disoriented and ran out of fuel before he could find a safe place to land.

Capt. Dave Bowes of the Joint Rescue Co-ordination Centre in Trenton, Ont., says the pilot and his passenger — both men in their 20s — were killed in the crash.

A military spokesman ear-

lier said the pilot of the Cessna 150 had “declared an airborne emergency” on Tuesday evening.

Capt. Alexandre Cadieux said regional air-traffic controllers then lost contact with the aircraft south of the park in the Haliburton area east of Bracebridge.

He said the plane was found after a Hercules aircraft sent to the area with a Grif-

fin helicopter from Canadian Forces Base Trenton picked up an emergency signal early Wednesday.

Officials said the plane had left Buttonville Airport north-east of Toronto and the pilot had intended to return there.

“He was airborne and lost near Bancroft. Initially, he thought he was near Simcoe, but he was lost and low on fuel,” Bowes said.

“They were disoriented, flying at night with — I would expect — a little amount of flight experience.”

The company that owns the plane, Fly Block Time, said the aircraft was “fully serviceable and airworthy” and equipped for night flight.

Fully fuelled, the plane could fly for about 4.5 hours, the company said in a statement. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Focus on innovation hub, tourism for Watson

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Speech touts plan for \$30M Innovation Centre at Bayview Yards



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Mayor Jim Watson is jump-starting the ‘Build it and they will come’ phase of the future Innovation Centre at Bayview Yards, encouraging startups to come forward now before it opens in 2016.

During his annual economic outlook speech Wednesday, the newly re-elected mayor announced a request for qualifications, inviting entrepreneurs to express interest in tenancing the yet-to-be-built centre.

In front of about 200 business leaders, Watson touted the \$30-million project as his top economic development priority, saying it would be “a game-changing addition to the nation’s capital.”

The city expects to break ground on the abandoned facility at 7 Bayview Rd. next year. The province has committed half the cost of the project.

“An innovation centre will offer expanded business incubation, acceleration services for local job creators, and the reason for this is very clear,” said Watson at the Shaw Centre.

“Ottawa’s economic future will be determined by small-

and medium-sized businesses.”

Ottawa’s new innovation hub would be similar to Waterloo’s Communitech. Communitech’s website says the hub has helped more than 1,000 tech companies grow since 1997.

Invest Ottawa, the city’s arms-length economic development organization, plans to move into the new facility.

Watson reiterated his vision for the city in 2017 as Canada celebrates its 150th birthday. He hopes Ottawa will welcome eight million new visitors to catch one of three events on his wish list: the Grey Cup, the Juno Awards and a NHL Outdoor Classic.

He calls it the “hat trick” of major Canadian events.

As he promised during his 2014 election campaign, he said he will ask council to increase the city’s partnership office budget from \$900,000 to \$1.5 million and challenge the private sector to match the investment, dollar for dollar, to \$3 million.

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Mayor Jim Watson, right, speaks with BMO chief economist Douglas Porter, centre, and Noel Buckley, president and CEO of Ottawa Tourism. JOE LOFARO/METRO

Viral video. Police say no reason to probe homeless man who set hair on fire

An online video of a Vancouver homeless man being goaded into setting his hair on fire has sparked outrage, though police are not investigating the incident.

The video titled Crack-head Lights Hair On Fire posted to the LiveLeak website was apparently filmed Sunday in a bar district and has generated more than 50,000 views.

The smartphone-quality footage shows a man flicking a lighter by his right ear while young men off screen

are heard egging him on. The man hardly responds when the back of his head bursts into flame, while one person urges him to stop as others laugh and the man pats out the fire with his hand.

Const. Brian Montague said that although the video is disturbing, there is no overt force from another person suggesting assault.

"With the short video only, it is difficult to say this is criminal in nature" Montague said.

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Lethal control programs

Hunted wolves stressed out: Study

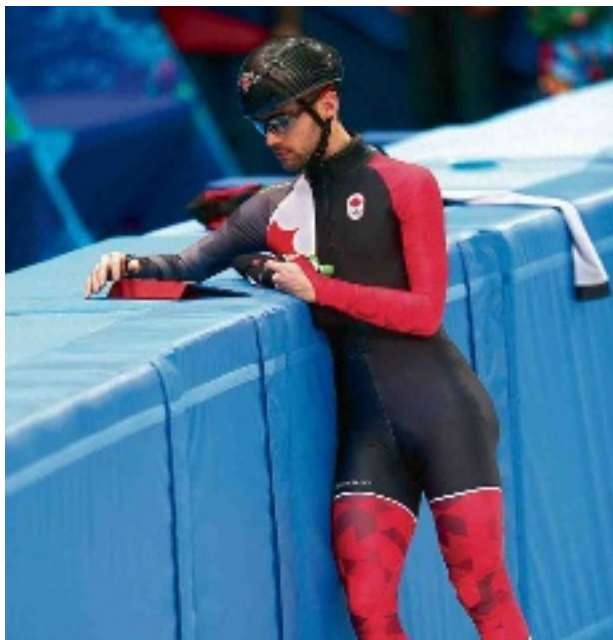
Wolves in areas where they are heavily hunted have higher levels of stress and reproductive hormones which alters a wolf pack's elaborate social structure and might have evolutionary

consequences, says a study by scientists from B.C., Alberta and Israel.

The Raincoast Conservation Foundation, which opposes B.C.'s grey wolf management plan, says the study highlights that lethal control programs should take psychological and social effects on animals into account, not just numbers.

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Canadians double time spent online, study finds



Short-track speed skater Francois Hamelin checks his iPad during a training session earlier this year. Apps for smartphones and tablets are driving a spike in how much time Canadians spend online, a study by comScore found.

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Not a PC world. About 1.3 million Canadians now strictly use mobile devices to go online, comScore says

As Canadians continue to get hooked on their smartphones, tablets and streaming video, they're almost doubling the time they spend online, according to measurement firm comScore.

As of August, there were about 27.8 million Canadian adults accessing the Internet with a computer, com-

Smartphones

78%

About 78 per cent of all Canadians owning a cellphone were using a smartphone — second highest behind Spain among the countries comScore tracks (and ahead of the U.K., the U.S. and Italy).

Score reports. On average, they spent almost 39 hours a month browsing the web with a desktop or laptop. But when accounting for watching Internet video and using mobile devices, the average time spent online shot up to nearly 75 hours a month.

Canadians in the 25-to-34 demographic were seen to be spending the most time online, averaging around 110 hours a month. Only about 50 of those hours were linked to web browsing on a computer.

The oldest Canadians tracked by comScore, ages 55 and older, were spending just 20 or so hours with a mobile device or streaming video a month. The bulk of their online hours were devoted to web browsing on a computer.

App usage accounts for over 80 per cent of the time Canadians spend online with a mobile device, versus just 20 per cent spent using a web browser, comScore says.

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Veterans call on serving soldiers to help oust Tories in 2015

Canada Coalition for Veterans. Group says veterans need a government sensitive to their needs

A group of veterans, who want the Harper government defeated in the next election, is appealing to serving members of the military to join them in

protest.

Ron Clarke, a member of the Canada Coalition for Veterans, who has been campaigning against the closure of Veterans Affairs offices, made the appeal Wednesday.

The plea is just the latest move in what is a major rift in the veterans community. Last week, a group of outspoken veterans advocates announced that six organizations had formed a coalition that would,

at a minimum, boycott government announcements and photo-ops.

The coalition says a low-key approach to confronting the government has not worked, and spokesman Mike Blais says the Royal Canadian Legion seems satisfied with current disability awards for the most severely wounded troops.

Soldiers injured in combat are eligible for a one-time, lump-sum payment for non-

Quoted

"We need a government that looks after our veterans."

Ron Clarke, Canada Coalition for Veterans economic loss that ranges up to \$350,000.

"The Legion believes \$350,000 is OK, and the consultation group they have formed believes that's OK. We do not,"

said Blais, who is president of Canadian Veterans Advocacy.

Blais argues that the old system of pensions for life was more generous than the new veterans charter, introduced by the Liberals but fully embraced by the Harper government in 2006.

Scott Ferris, a spokesman for the Legion, denies his organization is satisfied with the charter and points to a national letter-writing campaign that

was started in late October, calling on members to button-hole their MPs and demand change.

He also denied the Legion is happy with the current lump-sum benefits, saying it supports an increase to the level of civilian court awards, which statistics suggest are more than one-third higher than what soldiers receive for lost limbs and pain and suffering.

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'Who is this human blocking my light?'

Cue the Caddyshack jokes. It may not be dancing — and whether it's a gopher or a marmot or prairie dog is unclear — but this rodent selfie taken by Stacey Wallace of Vancouver has become an Internet sensation with more than one million views and counting. Wallace took the photo at B.C.'s Manning Park, when the critter popped out of its hole in search of nuts. [IMGUR](#)

Sergeant-at-arms. Vickers gets celebrity treatment during Jerusalem visit

Hailed as a hero at home, the House of Commons' sergeant-at-arms is now getting a celebrity welcome abroad.

But Kevin Vickers is greeting the international attention with the same modesty that characterized his response to the outpouring of support at home in the wake of the deadly attacks of Oct. 22. In Jerusalem to attend an international security conference on Wednesday, Vickers was invited to meet Israel's prime minister and other government officials and was honoured by the Israeli parliament, the Knesset.

"Though I'm honoured to think (you're) excited about me, I wish and hope you realize it's about the entire team that performed very well on that day," he said on a video circulated by Israeli officials.

The trip had been arranged prior to the attack on Parliament Hill, where Vickers was

Meetings in Jerusalem

Vickers' meetings included a sit-down with the Speaker of the Knesset, who gave him a book about Jerusalem. In return, Vickers presented neckties bearing the logo of the Canadian Association of Sergeants-At-Arms to the Speaker and one of the Knesset's top security people.

credited with taking the fatal shot at an armed gunman who ran into Centre Block minutes after killing a soldier at the National War Memorial.

"This terror attack in Ottawa proves, once again, that Islamic radical terrorism has no limits and respects no borders," Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said in a statement following their meeting Wednesday. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Winnipeg. Two suspects charged in violent sexual assaults of teen girl, woman

Police have charged two young men with a pair of violent sexual assaults, including one on an aboriginal teenage girl, and say they will take a closer look at whether the suspects had anything to do with the death of another First Nations teen last summer.

The two suspects, who are 20 and 17, face several charges, including attempted murder, in the attack on 16-year-old Grade 11 student Rinelle Harper, who was beaten Friday night and left for dead on a walking trail along the Assiniboine River in downtown Winnipeg.

They also face aggravated sexual assault charges in a second attack that same night on a 23-year-old woman.

Police Supt. Danny Smyth said the two will come under closer scrutiny as police continue to look for 15-year-old Tina Fontaine's killer. Her body was wrapped in plastic and dumped in the Red River in August.

"We don't have any information right now that would suggest these men were involved with the Tina Fontaine investigation," Smyth told a news conference Wednesday. "That being said, we really had little, if any, contact with these men before this. We will certainly take a closer look at them now."

Police say Rinelle was out with friends Friday night when she got separated from her group. She met two males who struck up a conversation with her, Smyth said. The three of

them walked to the Assiniboine River where the girl was attacked and ended up in the frigid water.

"Rinelle managed to crawl out of the river a short distance away upstream and she was attacked a second time ... and left unconscious and essentially left for dead on the riverbank," Smyth said.

She was found by a passerby the next morning and was taken to hospital in critical condition. She has been upgraded to stable and her family says she is recovering.

Police say the second woman was attacked a short time later. She was sexually assaulted, beaten with a weapon and left unconscious. Police were called shortly before dawn.

Justin James Hudson, 20, along with a 17-year-old male who can't be named, are charged with attempted murder, aggravated sexual assault and sexual assault with a weapon. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Winnipeg Police Superintendent Danny Smyth speaks at a press conference in Winnipeg Wednesday.
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CBC execs shown video of woman's injuries

Ghomeshi. Broadcaster fired Q host after images from his phone showed bruises apparently caused by a cracked rib, sources say

Leading up to the weekend of October 25-26, two CBC executives were invited to the Toronto offices of Denton LLP, a law firm retained by then Q host Jian Ghomeshi, who was facing allegations that his alleged rough treatment of women was about to become front page news.

After hearing and seeing Ghomeshi's side of the story on Thursday, Oct. 23, CBC executives Chris Boyce and Chuck Thompson left Denton and reported to their bosses that it was "much bigger than we ever thought," a source told Torstar News Service. Ghomeshi was put on leave of absence that day.

According to sources, the CBC executives were shown a variety of information, including a video and text messages, by the Denton lawyers in attendance at the meeting.

Sources say that the video is of a woman who Ghomeshi had dated in the past 10 years. The video shows bruising to the woman's body (she is partially covered in the video) and information provided to CBC



Former Q host Jian Ghomeshi faces multiple allegations of assault.
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that weekend, including text messages Ghomeshi had on his phone, refer to a "cracked rib." A large bruise could be seen on the side of her body.

As Torstar has reported previously, Ghomeshi showed information that, in his opinion, revealed how a person can be bruised during sex and it could "still be consensual," said one source with a close connection to Ghomeshi's strategy that day. Ghomeshi has said he is a practitioner of BDSM — bondage-dominance-sadism-masochism.

Ghomeshi refers to his meetings in his \$55 million lawsuit against CBC, filed in court after his firing. In the suit, he states that in the days lead-

ing up to his firing he showed "sensitive and private exchanges" involving a woman he had a relationship with. Ghomeshi states that after he showed the material CBC was satisfied that he "had not engaged in non-consensual sex."

In Torstar's ongoing investigation into allegations that Ghomeshi has attacked women on dates, women have alleged that they have been struck with open and closed hands on various parts of the body and choked. Torstar has heard of multiple allegations from women interviewed as part of the paper's investigation.

The women have told Torstar of bruising, including bruising to the face and head, often

Investigation

Toronto police are investigating allegations from three women who have come forward.

in areas of the head covered by hair. Women who have made these allegations say they did not consent to these attacks.

Ghomeshi has not provided detailed responses to questions from Torstar, though he has said in a statement posted on Facebook that all of his sexual activities are consensual.

In the Facebook posting he refers to his meeting with CBC in late October.

"On Thursday I voluntarily showed evidence that everything I have done has been consensual. I did this in good faith and because I know, as I have always known, that I have nothing to hide," Ghomeshi wrote.

"CBC execs confirmed that the information provided showed that there was consent. In fact, they later said to me and my team that there is no question in their minds that there has always been consent. They said they're not concerned about the legal side. But then they said that this type of sexual behaviour was unbecoming of a prominent host on the CBC," Ghomeshi stated in his posting.

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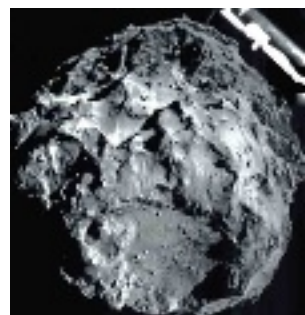
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ESA lander touches down

Glimpse into the past.

Scientists hope Philae's comet-landing data will unlock some of Earth's early secrets

Hundreds of millions of miles from Earth, a spacecraft made history Wednesday by successfully landing on the surface of a speeding comet — an auda-



This image released by the European Space Agency on Wednesday was taken by Philae during its descent toward the comet.

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cious first designed to answer the universe's big questions.

The landing on comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko required precision, as even the slightest error could have resulted in cosmic calamity.

Indications were that the spacecraft touched down almost perfectly, save for an unplanned bounce, said Stephan Ulamec, head of the lander operation.

But thrusters that were meant to push the lander, called Philae, onto the surface, and harpoons that would have anchored it to the comet failed to deploy properly. Initial data from the spacecraft indicated that it lifted off again, turned and then came to rest.

"Today we didn't just land once; we maybe even landed twice," said Ulamec.

The landing team at European Space Agency (ESA) mission control in Darmstadt, Germany, first had to sweat through a tense seven-hour countdown that began when Philae dropped from the agency's Rosetta space probe



Celebrating scientists in the main control room appear on a video screen at the European Space Agency (ESA) after unmanned spacecraft Philae landed on a comet called 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko on Wednesday.

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as both it and the comet hurtled through space at 66,000 kilometres an hour.

The landing is the highlight of Rosetta's decade-long mission to study comets and learn more about the origins

of these celestial bodies. Scientists have likened these comets — believed to number in the trillions — to time capsules that are virtually unchanged since the earliest moments of the universe.

"By studying one in enormous detail, we can hope to unlock the puzzle of all of the others," said Mark McCaughrean, a senior scientific adviser to the mission.

The mission will also give

Canadian contributions

Two Canadian companies were bursting with pride after playing small but important roles in the historic landing of a spacecraft on the surface of a comet.

- **SED Systems.** Based in Saskatoon, the company built three ground stations the ESA used to communicate with the Rosetta spacecraft.
- **ADGA-RHEA.** This Ottawa-based company provided software that handles the lander's complex operation procedures and commands.

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researchers the opportunity to test the theory that comets brought organic matter and water to Earth billions of years ago, said Klim Churyumov, one of the two astronomers who discovered the comet in 1969.

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Evasive manoeuvres

ISS avoids space debris collision

The International Space Station is out of harm's way after flying higher to avoid space junk. Flight controllers raised the station's orbit by a mile Wednesday due to small debris from an old Chinese satellite that was going to come dangerously close. Had they not, by late morning the debris would have come within seven tenths of a mile of the ISS's location. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Wisconsin

Girl accused of murder fit for trial

A state doctor believes the mental condition of one of two girls accused of stabbing a classmate to please the fictional horror character Slender Man has improved and she is fit to stand trial, a Wisconsin judge said Wednesday.

The judge ordered mental health treatment for the girl, 12, who claimed to see and hear things, including unicorns, Slender Man and Voldemort of Harry Potter fame. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS


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William Boyd
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vanishinggame.com, tells of a 35-year-old British actor named Alec Dunbar and the troubles he encounters when a pretty young woman convinces him to deliver a flask filled with clear liquid from London to Scotland. His transport is a certain four-wheel-drive vehicle.

Boyd, paid in the low six figures for the project, said he signed on because Land Rover made so few requests.

"They said they wanted an adventure and they said, 'Somewhere in this adven-

ture it would be good if a Land Rover appeared,'" the 62-year-old author said during a recent telephone interview. He said it was left entirely up to him how prominent a role the vehicle would play.

"I invented the story, I invented the characters, I invented the locations," said Boyd, whose novels include *The New Confessions* and *Brazzaville Beach*.

Boyd's story can be read as a traditional book or as an interactive narrative through the dedicated website. An audio track features a voiceover and music. Photographs and moving images provide a backdrop to the words.

If *The Vanishing Game* itself cannot be called "a Land Rover story," the company provides other reminders. The Land Rover logo appears at the top of the screen, and the occasional word or phrase, such as "river" or "cross country," links to a picture of a Land Rover or a real-life

story about a Land Rover user.

The literary community has mostly shunned commercial endorsements, although there are precedents for Boyd's book. In 2001, Fay Weldon was commissioned by Bulgari to write *The Bulgari Connection*, in which she worked in references to the jewelry company. Julia Alvarez

wrote a poem for Absolut vodka, and several authors, including Elmore Leonard and Lisa Scottoline, contributed essays for a 1990s Coca-Cola campaign. A recent e-book, Hillary Carlip's *Find Me I'm Yours*, was funded in part by the makers of Sweet 'N Low.

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I've started attending yoga classes.

You'll notice I didn't say I'm DOING yoga, because that would involve athletic poses and rhythmic breathing and other yogic things I haven't mastered yet because I spend most of each class lying motionless and sucking air, like I'm doing my best Iron Lung impression.

The classes have been a long, difficult journey (both of them), but they're necessary. My girlfriend's been suggesting yoga for months, because she noticed that my joints have the same range of motion as the original 1980s Star Wars figures — the ones where the Jedis were all karate experts because the only way to hit Darth Vader was with a downward chop. I don't think I'll ever get my body to GI Joe swivel-arm battle grip, but I'm hopeful with yoga I'll reach Masters of the Universe twist-waist, power-punch action.

It's been a long time coming. I've avoided yoga for 20 years because I read an interview once where a studio owner said, "It's best



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to do yoga in the morning when the world's magnetic field is strongest," when any fool knows that the Earth's magnetic field peaks at 4 p.m., after a brief nap. I figured arguing about pseudoscience was not the best path to inner peace, so my girlfriend assured me she'd choose a no-nonsense teacher, which meant I could focus entirely on how much pain I'm in.

And how'd it go? Great! I was terrible at everything, which took a lot of pressure off. My biggest problem was that the instructor said not to look up from my poses, but I had to because the instructions make no sense if you've never heard them before.

For instance, people in yoga seem to call the butt area the sit bones. "Check out Kim Kardashian's sit bones!" is a common phrase among yoga practitioners.

So I'd have my head down and I'd hear something like "Heel-toe, now lunge your sit bones, breeeeathe into the belly of your hamstrings, and invert yourself!"

Personal journey

I was terrible at everything, which took a lot of pressure off.

I'd glance up half expecting to see my classmates inside out, their internal organs looking blissful, but instead I'd see my instructor saying, "Don't look up!"

So I was graceless and clueless. I did have one thing going for me, though: I didn't care. My girlfriend always comes back from class with a mental chart of where she ranked amongst her classmates in yoga skill, which seems like wasted effort if you're not in the World Yoga Championships.

My imperviousness to outside criticism has a nice yoganness to it, though I guess being proud of it kind of ruins it too, so I'll shut up now. And if anyone wants to make fun of me for trying yoga, no matter how ineptly, I suggest we step outside so I can kick your sit bones up and down the street. Namaste.

No more chasing tail



Red deer graze following the end of the rutting season on Wednesday in Glen Etive, Scotland. The rutting season sees the large red deer stags compete against each other for mating rights, and they can be heard roaring and bellowing in an attempt to attract the hinds. The rut draws to a close in early November when the males will spend the winter feeding to regain strength for the following year's season. JEFF J. MITCHELL/GETTY IMAGES

Calm after mating storm for red deer

After months of butting horns, chasing tail and avoiding gunshots, the male red deer population of Scotland can finally relax and look forward to quieter times.

The exhausting rutting season has just come to an end in

Glen Etive, Scotland.

Deer and other ruminant mammals engage in rutting season, which is triggered by shorter day lengths, in the fall.

During this mating season, stags will rub their antlers on trees, fight each other (sometimes leading to serious injury) and attempt to herd

females in estrus together.

Since throwing caution to the wind in their attempt to hook up with as many females as possible makes them easy targets, the breeding season is also a popular time for hunting.

The stags are often in rough shape after the rut, and now is the time for them to rest. **METRO**

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All that chasing and fighting can result in a huge weight loss. Some research shows losses of as high as 20 per cent of a stag's total body weight.

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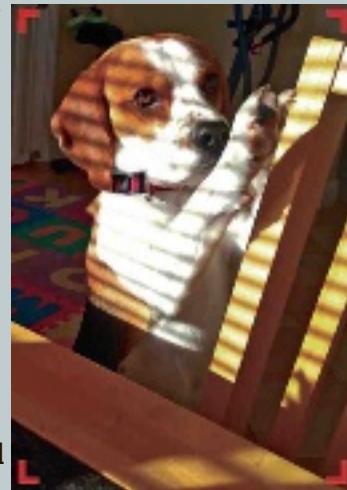
Puppy ploy



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The dogs we know and love today began diverging from wolves after they figured out that hanging around people and snacking on trash was a better deal than buffalo hunts. And then evolution took care of the rest. Well, Charlie the Beagle's attempt to barter a beloved toy for a some sweet, sweet table scraps is the next stage of that evolution — a domestic animal merchant class. Just keep them away from any copies of Atlas Shrugged. (CharlieDaDog/YouTube)



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Furniture, food and friendly smiles: Bank on it at HighJinx

Community aid. Social workers' vintage furniture store vision has turned into a way to lend a helping hand



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On the surface, HighJinx looks like a cool vintage furniture store that offers all sorts of unique finds but, at its core, it's a social enterprise that provides assistance to neighbours in need.

Co-owners and social workers Karen Neilsen and Leigh Reid opened the store nearly four years ago.

"We were looking for a solution to a problem. We wanted to start our own social service and be non-traditional, get away from the broken system and really, truly help people, so we thought we would be renegades and find our own way," explains Neilsen.

"We always believed a truly accessible furniture bank and food pantry was necessary and that we need a living room, not a drop-in, so HighJinx was born out of frustration and a bottle of wine — we came up with the idea of the store."

Through their years of experience in social work, the women found that the grassroots, neighbourly approach was the most effective.

"The support to keep them



Leigh Reid (left) and Karen Neilsen run HighJinx, a vintage store/social enterprise in Centretown. JEN TRAPLIN/METRO

in their homes once they were there, we found, was the key to success," says Reid.

They provide furniture, food, support, encouragement, peace of mind and advocacy for those in need. They have a food pantry that people can access daily, and the pair also do landlord negotiations and are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

They have over 150 people

in their caseload — some are daily, some weekly, some are just one-offs.

"But, over the last three-and-a-half years, there have been hundreds who have come through the door, whether it was a toaster they needed or bus fare," Reid says.

HighJinx receives no government funding. Instead, their services are made possible through donations and

the proceeds from their store.

"It doesn't take millions of dollars. It takes a lot of time and energy and being a good neighbour," says Neilsen.

"It cuts out the middle man, too," adds Reid. "When you donate, you know it's going directly to someone."

HighJinx re-opens in its new location at 403 Catherine St. on Saturday.

How you can help

Donate vintage items to sell in the HighJinx store or drop off household items (furniture, small appliances, housewares) for the furniture bank and help a neighbour in need. For more info, go to facebook.com/highjinx.ottawa



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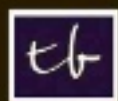
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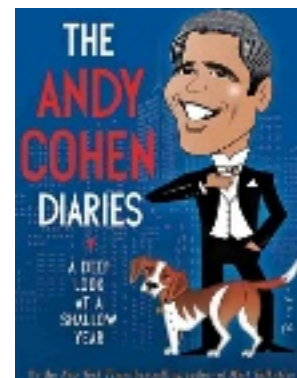
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Andy Cohen, left, speaks with Teresa and Joe Giudice from *The Real Housewives of New Jersey* on his show, *Watch What Happens Live*. In his book, Cohen talks about his talk show and his role as a *Housewives* producer. CHARLES SYKES/BRAVO

Housewives exec offers real insights

Books. Andy Cohen initially left a lot of things out of his new memoir, then went back and filled in gaps



Reading another person's diary is usually the stuff of daydreams or snooping, but Bravo Media's *Watch What Happens Live* host Andy Cohen is opening up his journal in *The Andy Cohen Diaries: A Deep Look at a Shallow Year*.

The book, published by Henry Holt and Co., is inspired by *The Andy Warhol Diaries*, published after the artist's death.

Cohen sat down at a midtown New York steakhouse owned by a close friend (often mentioned in his book) for a recent interview. He has a regular table across from his caricature that decorates the wall, along with hundreds of drawings of other celebrities.

The 46-year-old knows the staff and greets them by name. "It's my Regal Beagle," he joked, referring to the '70s sitcom *Three's Company*.

He talked about sharing his diary and being an executive producer of *The Real Housewives* shows.

Is it strange to put yourself out there and let people see who you are?

Yes, at first I went into this and I was like, 'I'm not going to talk about dating or boyfriends.' Then, months later, I went back and filled stuff in ... I was like, 'I'm just putting all this in there. It's just fun.' ... The longer you do something, you feel more open to the process.

There's an original entry about a Britney Spears interview where I had edited myself. I went back and was like, 'I need to put my real impressions of that day.' I have to book my show; I don't want to sell out my guests, but if Mariah Carey comes in, I want to tell people what that experience was like.

Will your fans know you better after reading this book?

I think they know a version of me (now). I think when

you're live on TV in an unscripted environment, a lot slips through the cracks of your real self. People can read my face, they know what I'm thinking.

What's it like when you have friends as guests on your show? (Cohen's close pals include Sarah Jessica Parker, Liam Neeson, Anderson Cooper and Kelly Ripa.)

I remember one of the first times Sarah Jessica was on, I asked her about dating J.F.K. (John F. Kennedy) Jr., which is something we've certainly talked about off-camera. And I remember I turned to her in the commercial break and was like, 'Was that OK?' She gave me a sign, like it was fine, but surprising.

Which *Real Housewives* show is the most stressful?

It's all cyclical. It usually depends on what's in production and what's airing.

Do you listen to any of the feedback you get on the shows from social media?

You have to take it all with a grain of salt, but I pay attention to it. I write in the book that people were very vocal that we change up the *New Jersey Housewives* this season. We changed the cast and people were like, 'We don't like the new cast members. Bring back the originals.'

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Actors. Wahlberg's weight loss freaked out Michael Bay

Mark Wahlberg said Transformers director Michael Bay "freaked out" after the actor shed 60 pounds to play a down-on-his-luck college professor in his new movie, *The Gambler*.

Wahlberg began downsizing his famously muscular physique by jumping rope and sticking to a liquid diet as *Transformers: Age of Extinction* wrapped last year. He then shot *The Gambler*, set to open in theatres Dec. 19.

Transformers producers called for additional shooting after *The Gambler* wrapped, and Wahlberg wasn't exactly

welcomed with open arms when he attended Bay's housewarming party earlier this year.

"He goes, 'You look like crap! What are you going to do? We've got to shoot in five weeks,'" Wahlberg said in an interview before his new film's AFI Fest premiere Monday night.

"I probably put on 40 pounds back. But it still wasn't enough for him. He said, 'Aw, I've got to shoot you like this to make you look cool again,'" the 43-year-old actor said.

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Mark Wahlberg lost 40 pounds for his role in *The Gambler*, much to the chagrin of Transformers producer Michael Bay. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Reunion. De Niro tapped to work with JLaw again

Robert De Niro is in talks to join the next feature from David O. Russell, who directed De Niro and Jennifer Lawrence in the 2012 film *Silver Linings Playbook*.

The film, titled *Joy*, is inspired by the biography of Joy Mangano, the single mother of three who invented the Miracle Mop and made a fortune in the 1990s selling the product on the Home Shopping Network.

While Jennifer Lawrence has been attached in the title

role since January, The Hollywood Reporter learned this week that Robert De Niro is in talks to play her father.

The two actors previously worked together in David O. Russell's *Silver Linings Playbook*. Lawrence was also seen in the director's most recent film, *American Hustle*, for which she earned a Golden Globe for best supporting actress.

Joy is due in theatres on December 25, 2015.

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Harry and Lloyd are just putting out the vibe

Movies. Twenty years after *Dumb and Dumber*, Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels say it was easy to reprise their roles as a couple of sweet savants

Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels made another *Dumb & Dumber* film because fans asked for it, and the two actors said making the sequel was more fun than working on the 1994 original.

"We were kind of just meeting each other as we were doing the first one," Daniels said in a recent

interview to support the release of the film.

"You got two different acting styles going on — is it going to even work? And the first one, we guessed right, and it did ...

"Now it's just a lot easier. We know more, we know what's funny, we know the two characters well — all the stuff we didn't know in the first one we already know in the second one, so we just get to do it again, only we hope better."

"And we were blood doping," Carrey added.

"So that made it easier."

Daniels and Carrey reprise their roles as painfully dim pals Harry and Lloyd in *Dumb & Dumber To*, opening Friday.

Reuniting on a sequel 20 years after the original wasn't hard, Carrey said.

"Honestly, it was like we just did it yesterday and boom, we were back in it," he said.

"It was a fantastic, familiar feeling."

Daniels was delighted to return to comedy after spending the past three seasons starring in the Aaron Sorkin TV drama, *The Newsroom*.

"Comedy is a joy," he said.

"There's a freedom to it. There's a fearlessness to it that you don't get in everything else."

"It was a thrill to do," he added.

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Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels said in the first *Dumb and Dumber*, they took a risk riffing off each other's unique acting styles. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Give your coffee table a makeover

What's inspiring, pretty to look at and can instantly show your guests just what great taste you've got? A coffee-table book, of course. Luckily, a slew of glossy fashion and beauty tomes have recently been released. Whether you're holiday gift-hunting or just want to treat yourself, these titles are worth checking out

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Refinery 29: Style Stalking

Women's fashion and lifestyle website Refinery 29's new book is full of cool-girl street style. Not only does it explain how to master trends like tomboy-chic and modern metallics, it teaches readers how to develop their own signature style.

Vogue & The Metropolitan Museum Of Art Costume Institute: Parties, Exhibitions, People

This massive, glossy-paged tome gives readers an up-close look at the annual Met gala, and the exhibits that inspired each theme, such as 2001's Jacqueline Kennedy: The White House Years.

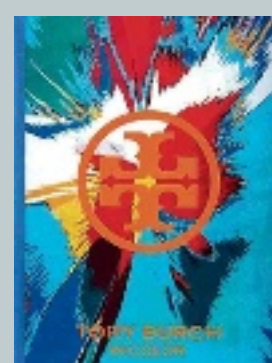
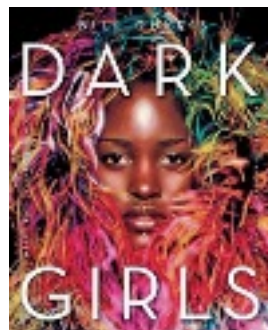


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There is almost no text in this oversized, 250-page hardcover, but the photos speak volumes. Models in candy-coloured eyeshadows and lipsticks showcase the boundary-pushing esthetic that has been MAC's signature since its 1987 launch.

Dark Girls

What originated as a documentary on Oprah's network is now a beautiful hardback. Stunning photos of more than 75 women, including Lupita Nyong'o, Vanessa Williams, Loretta Devine and Judge Mablean Ephriam are included, but just as powerful are their stories about prejudices they've faced.



Tory Burch: In Color

Fashion designer Tory Burch's first book isn't just an exploration of her style esthetic, but also what inspires her interior design, her favourite places all over the world and photos from her childhood.

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TV. Mandy Moore loves stirring the pot on Red Band



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Mandy Moore has stepped back into the spotlight with a recurring role on Fox's Red Band Society.

Red Band Society (airing Wednesdays at 8 p.m. EST) follows doctors and their long-term teen patients at a children's hospital.

Moore, a singer-actress known for her pop hit Candy, plays Dr. Erin Grace, the new chief of surgery. Her character had worked at the hospital, but took a year off to work with Doctors Without Borders. She had also dated Dave Annable's character,

Dr. Adam McAndrew, and her promotion is one that he was gunning for.

"I've been brought in to sort of stir it up on the adult side," said Moore in a recent interview.

She was approached about the show before the part was written. She "loved everything" about the pilot.

"I really thought it was such a unique tone from everything else on TV right now," she said.

The 30-year-old, known for such films as A Walk to Remember and Saved!, want-

ed a job in television.

"I think it's the most enticing medium for an actor out there right now," she said.

Moore said she's been recording and hopes to release something early next year.

"The music industry has changed so dramatically in the last couple of years. It's a different mechanism in terms of how to put music out there and in what capacity. Having the freedom of no record label and none of that expectation is really nice on a creative level."

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Television

Jackson confirms he's quitting American Idol

Bad news for fans of original-recipe American Idol. The last remaining Season 1 judge, Randy Jackson, has announced he is leaving the show for good. Jackson wasn't technically a judge for the 13th season of the series — he stepped into the role of mentor — but now he's leaving for good. "After 13 seasons, I felt

now was the perfect time to leave," he told People magazine. For those keeping track, Paula Abdul thought that perfect time was 2009, while Simon Cowell thought it was a year later. Ryan Seacrest, on the other hand, is perfectly happy sticking around and asking audiences to send text messages. Season 14 returns in January. METRO

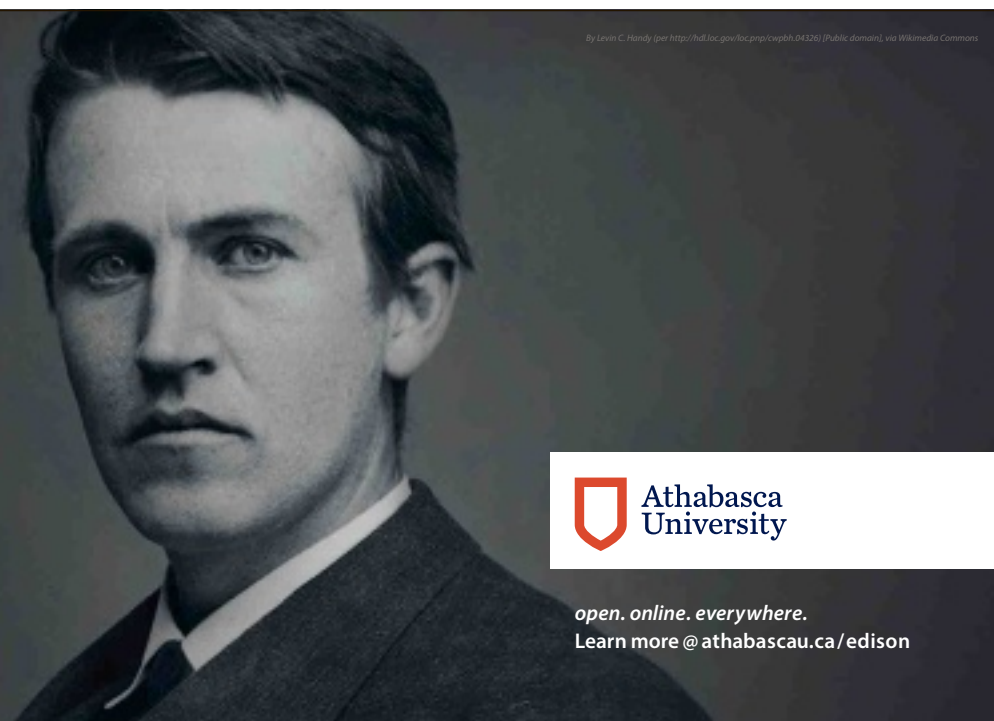


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Mad Men wrap was a teary affair, Paré says

Television. Canadian star of popular drama says that the cast feels fortunate they got to end their story

Mad Men star Jessica Paré says it's been tough saying goodbye to the series.

"We're done and that's kind of painful," the Montreal-raised actress said at this week's Scotiabank Giller Prize in Toronto.

The AMC period drama's final season was split in half, with the first seven of 14 episodes debuting last spring and the rest set to air early next year.

Paré — who plays Don Draper's wife, Megan — said it was an emotional time when they finished shooting

the last half of the seventh and final season in June.

"It was very teary," said the 33-year-old. "We're fortunate that we get to tell the end of our story. It's not a luxury afforded to many on TV, so I think it's a privilege. But I'm going to miss everybody."

Paré's Giller showing marked her first gala appearance since announcing last month that she's pregnant with her first child, with Quebec musician John Kastner.

She was at the Giller to present The Girl Who Was Saturday Night by Montreal's Heather O'Neill, who was one of six finalists for the \$100,000 literary prize.

Sean Michaels of Montreal ended up winning the award for Us Conductors.

As a fellow Montrealer, Paré said she identified with O'Neill's book, which follows teenage twin children of a be-

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"I've read so many. Margaret Laurence and Margaret Atwood are among my favourites."

Actress Jessica Paré, on her love for Canadian literature

loved Québécois folk singer. She's also a big fan of CanLit.

"I've read so many (Canadian authors)," said Paré, whose other credits include the films Lost and Delirious and Suck.

"Margaret Laurence and Margaret Atwood are among my favourites of all time, and all of these authors that are here tonight, I enjoyed their books so immensely."

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Montreal-born actress Jessica Paré says she will miss her role as Don Draper's wife on Mad Men. GETTY IMAGES FILE

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Zachary Quinto ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

Zachary's Out on his views about gay community

For Out magazine's 20th anniversary edition of its annual list of the most prominent LGBT personalities, the Out 100, the editors couldn't decide on a single honoree to feature on the cover. So they picked four. Copies of the magazine are going out featuring Zachary Quinto, Ellen Page, Sam Smith and Orange Is the New Black star Samira Wiley. And they even get fun honorary titles, though they kind of all sound like the same thing: Quinto is the artist of the year, while Page is the entertainer of the year, Smith is the breakout of the Year and Wiley is the in-

genue of the year. Go ahead, switch those around and see if anything really changes. Quinto, for his part, uses his time with the magazine to try to combat an encroaching blasé attitude, especially among younger members of the gay community.

"I think there's a tremendous sense of complacency in the LGBT community," he says. "AIDS has lost the edge of horror it possessed when it swept through the world in the '80s. Today's generation sees it more as something to live with and something to be much less fearful of. And that comes with a sense of, dare I say, laziness."

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It's still unclear whether Kim Kardashian's oiled-up, tush-exposing cover shot for Paper "broke the Internet," as the magazine was hoping — some might say it's been broken for a while already — but people definitely have opinions about

it. While husband Kanye West was clearly supportive of her efforts, others were less than pleased. Comedian Billy Eichner went on a tear, offering several tweets about the photo, the best being, "Oh God look at what Renee Zellweger did now!" But others didn't find the situation so humorous. Glee star Naya Rivera popped up on Kardashian's Instagram post with the comment, "I normally don't, but ... you're someone's mother." True, but she also built a multimillion-dollar media empire off of just one homemade sex tape, so let's not all act so surprised.

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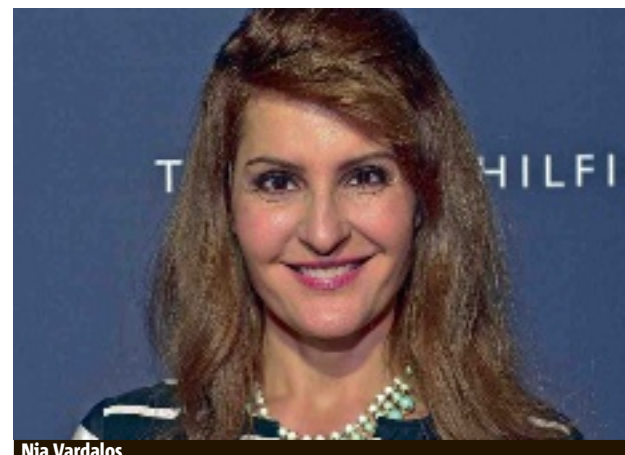
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Nia Vardalos

My Big Fat Greek Wedding is getting a honeymoon

It's only taken 12 years, but you're finally getting that My Big Fat Greek Wedding sequel you didn't really ask for: Nia Vardalos will once again write and star alongside John Corbett — apparently

both were still available — in a sequel that will feature yet another wedding and, I'm assuming, a fresh take on how kooky Greek-Americans are. What to Expect When You're Expecting director Kirk Jones will be heading things up, with Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson producing again.

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A gold tunic dress sticks to simpler tailoring, letting the sequins do all the talking. This flashy piece can be worn with a pair of black tights to tone down the look.



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Colours

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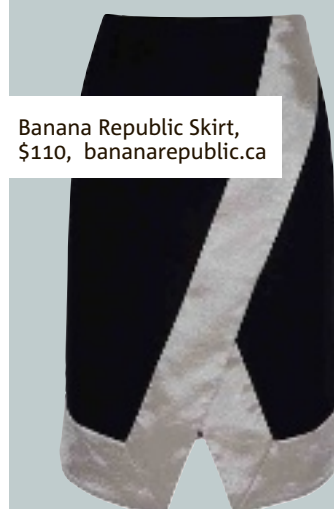
H&M Dress, \$14.95, hm.com



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Skirts

Of course, the all-over-sequins look is not for everyone. For those who prefer something more subtle, there is always the option of a sequined miniskirt, to be paired with a tame and understated top for an interesting contrast. Or a sleek black and white pencil skirt for an elegant seasonal statement.



Banana Republic Skirt, \$110, bananarepublic.ca



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Maxi

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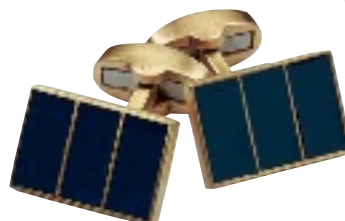
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A: Increasingly there are more and more options in bags for the stylish man. A great way to update your briefcase is to go with something that is softer and less structured. Look for fine quality leather with a zip opening instead of the traditional flap. Cognac and rich, dark browns will complement many different colours in your wardrobe!

Q: IT'S SO HARD TO CHOOSE A LEATHER JACKET THAT IS BOTH A LONG-TERM INVESTMENT AND A TIMELESS FASHION CHOICE. WHAT STYLE SHOULD I CHOOSE THAT WILL BE FASHIONABLE FOR YEARS TO COME? - S.H.

A: Great question! Ask yourself, am I just trying to follow current trends, or is it something that I'll get wear out of for a few years? The thing with trendy details is that they come and go, while the classic jacket with distressed leather and minimal hardware will remain your go-to fashion choice for a while. If you're in a position to expand your wardrobe, go with trendy jackets that incorporate a multitude of patterns and textures. If you're on a budget however, pick a leather jacket that will look nice as it's worn for several seasons - this means quality leather whose look will improve with wear, and whose colour will remain in fashion for a long time. Choose colours like tan, black and chocolate brown for a timeless look and a worthwhile investment.

Q: ON THE HOLIDAY PARTY INVITATIONS I RECEIVE, I'M ALWAYS ASKED TO DRESS IN "BUSINESS CASUAL". WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? - L.B.

A: With so many holiday parties on the go, "Business Casual" is an easy way for guests to arrive at parties, without having to make the trek home after work to change. This simply means a more comfortable version of your work attire. Men can remove their ties, and go with a suit jacket, and an open collared shirt; women can remove their jackets and attend with a skirt and blouse, while switching up their accessories for something more fun!

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Canadian street style

Spotted in: Toronto

Name: Liat

Age: 37

Occupation: Fashion blogger and editor

What she's wearing

Shoes and skirt from Zara, bag and sweater from French Connection, TopShop jacket, Urban Outfitters sunglasses.

Her inspiration

"I find inspiration from different cultures, music and art. I always look at fashion magazines and other bloggers for inspiration. I love Alexa Chung's style as well as Sienna Miller. I like to experiment with clothes and mixing different elements together."

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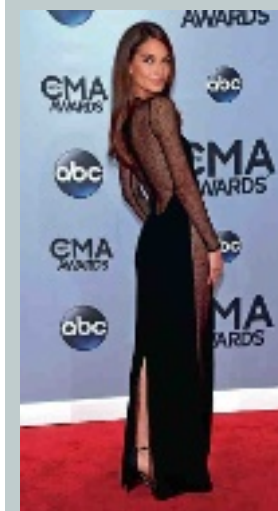
Trends Report

Looking for some style inspiration during holiday party season? Go online to Trends Report and find out how a little sheer dress can go a long way in helping you stand out from a crowd.

• Online. metronews.ca/trends-report

• Follow Irene on Twitter @MetrolreneK and Instagram @kuanirene

• Photo Model Lily Aldridge arrives on the red carpet at the CMA Awards in Nashville. (Getty Images)



From cover girl to garment

Style. RW & Co, Elle Canada revamp fashion industry with entrepreneurial partnership

TAKARA SMALL
Metro in Toronto

Canada's fashion landscape is getting a makeover.

A unique entrepreneurial endeavour between fashion magazine Elle Canada and retail chain RW&CO is pairing the popular publication's fashion director Denis Desro with the company's designers to create a one-off collection of clothing for the brand, entitled Elle by RW&CO.

"The Canadian market is very competitive," says RW&CO's PR supervisor, Karine Lapare. "Magazines and retailers have to look for new opportunities to get readers and customers interested in their message."



Pieces in the Elle by RW&CO collection are available in size 00 to 14 and range in price from \$149.90 to 169.90. PROVIDED

While collaboration in the clothing world is not a new concept (note H&M's recent pairing with Alexander Wang), Lapare suspects this is one the first times a Canadian magazine brand has lent its style-savvy voice to a retail collection.

The decision to blend the two worlds was a product of tough economic times for

both industries, with higher-ups realizing they could lend each other a hand in a market where consumers of both news and apparel are becoming increasingly uninspired by repetitive and unreliable products.

"We selected Elle as a partner because they are a luxury brand with high fashion credibility, accessibil-

Dress to impress

• The Elle by RW&CO collection is composed of eight dresses, including a black and pink knee-length dress with a peek-a-boo silhouette, a black lace dress with removable sheath and a silver minidress.

ity and global awareness," says Eve Miron, fashion and merchandising manager for RW & CO. "Denis saw what we were coming up with but he brought the shapes to the next level. Pushing the volumes, changing the lengths."

The one-time holiday collection took less than a year to produce from inspiration to its November release date.

"It is for a woman who wants to look beautiful," says Elle Canada's Denis Desro. "This is for the Elle woman who wants to look good for a good price."

Make the best of a bed situation

Small spaces.

A reader needs some sleeping solutions for a studio apartment



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I recently moved to a studio and am having a hard time

separating my living and sleeping areas. Is there a sophisticated option you can suggest that would allow for more room during the day or when company is over, but also a comfortable sleep at night? — Ben

I suggest investing in a Murphy-style wall bed for your space. It has the look of a tall cabinet, but conceals your mattress, bedding and pillows. You can pull your bed down into the room for sleeping

and, when tucked away, it will save valuable floor space by day.

There are many styles and finishes to choose from. The beds are very easy to install and use — hydraulic hinges help pull them down

— and will allow your space to be used for exercise, entertaining or working.

A wall bed is an investment that compares to the cost of built-in cabinets, but often adds value to small spaces when reselling.



A tuck-away wall bed can replace large, bulky beds in studio apartments and can turn a home office or den into an instant spare bedroom. Coventry Upright Wall Bed in walnut finish, \$1930, techcraftstyle.ca. CONTRIBUTED

Separating living from sleeping quarters

Not into wall beds? Try this

If a wall bed is not your style, here are a few other ways to make your studio feel more like a large living space rather than a bedroom:

• Place sofa and bed back-to-back

Place the head of your bed against the back of the sofa and float them in the room like an island. The upholstered back of your sofa will then act as a headboard. Hang a sheer-type drape between the bed and sofa to create a visual barrier that still allows light to filter into the living-room seating space.

• Invest in a quality sofa bed

Invest in a quality sofa bed. Many good sofa beds are made for every-night sleep, long-lasting use and comfort. With this option I suggest investing in a thicker mattress option (mattresses in standard sofa beds are 3-4 inches; I suggest a 6-8 inch mattress to give you the comfort of a regular bed mattress. Adding a memory foam mattress topper can also provide a luxurious feel.

• Opt for a daybed

Forego your sofa and have a large daybed in the space. Filled with pillows, it can be a comfortable place to hang out, acting as your sofa by day and, when the pillows are removed, your bed by night.

• Use dressers as end tables

Use small three-drawer dressers as end tables, bar tops and to display your television. They will offer much needed bedroom-type storage. Adding new handles and a glass or stone top automatically gives a standard dresser an important, sophisticated look.

Technology

Mini speaker is an acoustic genie

A hand-sized portable wireless speaker has taken Indiegogo by storm to become the platform's top-funded Canadian campaign in history.

The Core is a slick box-shaped speaker featuring five digital signal processors to produce stereo sound, proving that high-quality audio can come from a single speaker. It can play music in up to nine different rooms simultaneously.



The Core wireless speaker system.

MASS FIDELITY

The brainchild of sound systems brand Mass Fidelity, it features gesture control which allows users to skip tracks by simply waving their hand when connected to their Bluetooth devices, and can play music from wired sound sources such as CD players and turntables.

Both iOS and Android compatible, it has a battery life of 12 hours and can be used to answer phone calls.

The speakers are set to ship from March 2015. **AFP**

Gadgets. Fridge magnets let beer hang out and chill

Have you ever thought about using magnets to hang your beers from the refrigerator to create more storage space?

BottleLoft is a new magnetic strip designed to do exactly that, utilizing the oft-wasted space at the top of the fridge to store bottles.

The invention comes in the form of plastic strips eight inches long, which are attached to the ceiling of the fridge. Each strip features three steel cups fitted with grade N52 neodymium magnets.

Each magnet is capable of holding up to 3.6 lb. in

weight (the average 12-ounce bottle weighs 1.2 lb. according to the designers), meaning there's no risk of the beverages falling and crushing your cheese.

The brainchild of Brian Conti of the magnet company Strong Like Bull, BottleLoft is currently listed on crowdfunding website Kickstarter, where it has already more than doubled its original funding goal of \$20,000.

BottleLoft can be ordered for pledges starting from \$20, with the product expected to ship in January 2015. **AFP**



Screen shot from the promo video for BottleLoft. STRONG LIKE BULL MAGNETS/KICKSTARTER

It's the mushroom's time to shine

Mushroom, Leek and Gruyère Tart. With a puff pastry base, the flavours of this dish come together perfectly

"If vegetables were looking to elect a spokesperson, I'd nominate mushrooms," writes Charmian Christie in *The Messy Baker*.

"A bit of heat brings out the best in them. And when things get downright hot, they maintain their composure, refusing to dissolve into an incoherent mash.

"They work graciously with almost any herb, are effusively complementary to dairy, and are as comfortable with fancy-dress pastry as they are with a Casual Friday slice of toast.

"With a support staff of herbs, cheese, and garlic, this recipe lets the earthiness of mushrooms shine."

1. Preheat the oven to 425 F.

2. On a sheet of parchment paper cut to fit a rimmed baking sheet, roll the puff pastry sheet out to a 10-inch

Ingredients

- 1 sheet commercial puff pastry
- 3 tbsp unsalted butter
- 2 cloves garlic
- 2 sprigs fresh thyme, leaves only
- 2 cups thinly sliced leeks, white parts only, sliced lengthwise and slivered into half moons
- 16 oz cremini or Portobello mushrooms, cut into 1-inch pieces
- Ground black pepper (optional)
- 3 oz grated Gruyère cheese



This recipe serves four to six. RYAN SZULC

square. Using a sharp knife, gently score the pastry an inch inside the outer edge, being careful not to cut all the way through. Place the parchment with the scored pastry onto a rimmed bak-

ing sheet. Refrigerate while you prepare the filling.

3. In a large skillet over medium heat, melt the butter. When it bubbles, grate the garlic on a micro-

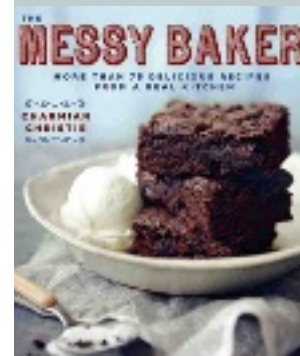
plane into the pan. Add the thyme. Cook gently for 1 minute. Add the leeks and cook until they begin to soften. Add the mushrooms and cook until they are soft, but not weeping, juices.

Place the mushroom filling into a strainer and let drain for a few minutes.

4. Spoon the mushroom filling onto the pastry, being careful to keep inside

Cookbook of the Week

Get your hands dirty for a tasty cause



Forget the perfectly shaped cookies and layers that are exactly the same height.

The *Messy Baker* by Charmian Christie is all about real-world baking — in its sweet, messy, fun and not always gorgeous glory. Featuring more than 75 recipes, the book also guides readers through collapsed crusts or frosting smears with practical advice.

Among included recipes are: Sweet Potato Samosas, Stuffed French Toast, Whiskey-Kissed Pecan Pie, Blueberry-Lime Cornmeal Muffins and more. **METRO**

the score marks. Add a grinding of fresh black pepper, if using. Bake for 15 minutes. Remove the tart from the oven and sprinkle with the cheese. Bake for 5 minutes, or until the cheese has melted and the pastry is golden brown. Serve while hot. **THE MESSY BAKER BY CHARMIAN CHRISTIE 2014. PUBLISHED BY HARPERCOLLINS CANADA. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.**

Lunch. Crusty Pizza

Pizza Margherita

1. Scatter the tomatoes, basil, and bocconcini over the dough, being sure to leave a 1-inch edge. Sprinkle with the Parmigiano-Reggiano. Drizzle with the oil. Bake (according to pizza dough directions).

Sausage and Artichoke Pizza

1. Spread the dough with a thin layer of sauce, leaving a 1-inch edge. Place the sausage and artichoke over the pizza. Sprinkle with the cheese. Bake (according to pizza dough directions). **ADAPTED FROM THE MESSY BAKER BY CHARMIAN CHRISTIE 2014. PUBLISHED BY HARPERCOLLINS CANADA. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.**

Ingredients

Pizza Margherita

- Authentic 12-inch pizza crust
- 1/3 cup San Marzano plum tomatoes, bite-size pieces
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh basil
- 2 oz bocconcini (cut in quarters)
- 2 tbsp Parmigiano-Reggiano
- 1 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil

Sausage and Artichoke Pizza

- Authentic 12-inch pizza crust
- 1/3 cup marinara sauce,
- 4 oz cooked Italian sausage, sweet or hot, sliced into rounds
- 1/3 cup chopped marinated artichokes, drained
- 3 oz shredded mozzarella

For your phone

The Michelin Guide 2014 (iPad/iPhone; \$16.99)



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The presenter of much-coveted Michelin stars, the annual Red Guide is now an exhaustive GPS-enabled travel directory for European restaurants, hotels, and culinary palaces.

It's an ideal reference for questing foodies.



These recipes take a simple approach to pizza toppings. RYAN SZULC

CFL

Gibson's attack scheme not good enough in Ottawa

The Ottawa Redblacks are looking for a new offensive co-ordinator after firing Mike Gibson on Wednesday.

"Mike is a dedicated football man, and I'd like to thank him for his efforts this year," Ottawa head coach Rick Campbell said in a statement. "We continue moving toward growing into a winning football team."

"We have some names in mind but we'll take the time to do our homework before hiring anybody. We want to add a coach that will best help us to win football games."

The Redblacks (2-16) were last overall in scoring (15.4 points per game) and rushing (82.4 yards).

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CFL

Als boast league-high 11 all-stars

Receiver Duron Carter has plenty of company on the East Division all-star squad.

Carter, the son of Pro Football Hall of Fame receiver Cris Carter, who had 75 catches for 1,030 yards and seven TDs this season, was among 11 Montreal Alouettes named to the team Wednesday in voting conducted by the Football Reporters of Canada and the nine CFL head coaches. The Hamilton Tiger-Cats had the second-most nominations with 10, one more than the Edmonton Eskimos.

The Redblacks were the only team not to have any players named.

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Versatile Hoffman not kidding around



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The Ottawa Senators have been waiting for Mike Hoffman to arrive. After spending portions of three campaigns attempting to become a permanent fixture, it appears he's here to stay.

Hoffman was on the bubble to make the team out of training camp. The Kitchener, Ont., native was locked in a fight with rookie Curtis Lazar and Jean-Gabriel Pageau to procure one of the remaining openings.

Originally, it was thought the Senators roster would be composed of an extra two defenceman and one forward. However, an injury to Marc Methot put the kibosh on that idea. Methot was placed on Injured Reserve to start the season; thus Hoffman and Lazar snagged the last couple of spots, leaving Pageau the odd man out.

Hoffman made general manager Bryan Murray's and coach Paul MacLean's decision easier by scoring a pair of goals in the Senators' final two pre-season games. Signed to a one-year, two-way deal, the 2009 fifth-round pick requires waivers to be sent to AHL Binghamton. Ultimately, a chance of losing Hoffman for nothing in return was too great a risk.

The six-foot, 185 pounder was a healthy scratch in two of the first four games. MacLean re-inserted Hoffman into the lineup for Game No.



Senators forward Mike Hoffman scores on Canucks goalie Ryan Miller during Ottawa's 4-3 loss in Vancouver on Tuesday night. Hoffman is starting to round into form offensively and now has five goals and an assist in 11 games with the Sens this season. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

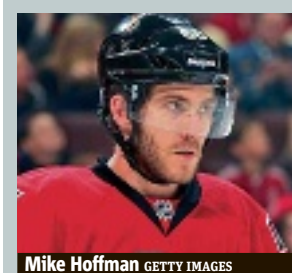
Kid Line Corsi — Even strength

	Corsi events*	CF%**
Mike Hoffman	262	54.20
Curtis Lazar	269	50.19
Mark Stone	283	54.06

* Shots + missed shots + blocked shots

** Corsi For divided by all Corsi events

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Mike Hoffman GETTY IMAGES

5. The coach's hunch worked. Hoffman notched two points versus the Blue Jackets, including the game-winning marker, and hasn't looked back.

For seven games now, Hoffman has found himself manning the left side of the so-called Kid Line with Lazar

and Mark Stone. Averaging slightly above one goal per game, the trio is the club's hottest of late.

Armed with a lightning snap shot, Hoffman has tallied four goals in as many games. With five in 12, he's already surpassed his career high of

three in 25 games last season.

The fastest-skating winner at last year's AHL all-star skills competition is responding to MacLean's challenge to play a 200-foot game. Hoffman utilizes his speed and superior hockey sense to pressure opposing defenceman. He ranks ninth league-wide in takeaways and his plus-7 leads all Senators.

Released by the OHL's Kitchener Rangers and Quebec Major Junior Hockey League's Gatineau Olympiques, Hoffman went on to beat all odds in winning the QMJHL MVP award with St. John as an over-age player — a rare feat.

At age 25, Hoffman is no longer a 'Kid' but must feel like one as he lives his dream.

McDavid's world juniors in doubt after injury



Connor McDavid GETTY IMAGES

Connor McDavid will be out five to six weeks with a fractured bone in his right hand, an injury that could put his participation for Canada in the world junior championship in doubt.

The Erie Otters announced Wednesday afternoon that McDavid suffered a fracture of the fifth metacarpal bone in a fight Tuesday night with Mississauga's Bryson Cianfrone when he missed and hit the top of the boards. The fractured bone extends from the base of the pinkie finger to the wrist.

Otters lose junior's best

Connor McDavid, a native of Newmarket, Ont., leads the Ontario Hockey League with 16 goals and 35 assists in just 18 games this season.

McDavid will not need surgery.

The 17-year-old junior phenom saw a hand specialist in Toronto, as X-rays after Tuesday's game were not definitive.

McDavid will almost cer-

- His Erie Otters are the Canadian Hockey League's top-ranked junior team with a 16-1-0-1 record.

tainly miss Canada's world junior camp in mid-December. Hockey Canada must finalize its roster for the tournament Dec. 25, and the team plays its first game Dec. 26 in Montreal against Slovakia.

Reached by phone at his hotel in Regina before official word of a time frame, Canadian world junior coach Benoit Groulx said it's too early to know about McDavid's status for that tournament. He said Hockey Canada would stay in touch with the Otters and continue to monitor the situation.

"There is several weeks before world juniors, so it's too early to know," Groulx said. "We hope that he'll be able to be there, but I don't have that answer yet." THE CANADIAN PRESS



Clayton Kershaw celebrates winning the NL West Division Championship with the Dodgers on Sept. 24. On Wednesday, he celebrated winning his third Cy Young Award. JEFF GROSS/GETTY IMAGES

Kershaw, Kluber take different paths to Cys

MLB. Dodgers pitcher cruises to third NL honour, while Indians hurler edges the King Felix in the AL

Los Angeles Dodgers ace Clayton Kershaw was a unanimous choice for his third NL Cy Young Award, and Cleveland's Corey Kluber edged Seattle's Felix Hernandez to win the AL honour for the first time.

Kershaw led the majors in victories and ERA and threw

a no-hitter, going 21-3 with a 1.77 ERA for the NL West champions.

Now, the big question: is he the Most Valuable Player, too?

The 26-year-old lefty with a wicked curveball will find out Thursday if he's the first NL pitcher to sweep the MVP and Cy Young honours since Bob Gibson in 1968.

As expected, Kershaw earned the pitching prize for the second year in a row, getting all 30 first-place votes in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America announced Wednesday.

Johnny Cueto of Cincinnati

Quoted

"Probably go home and give my daughters a bath."

Corey Kluber on how he planned to celebrate winning the AL Cy Young Award

was second with 112 points, followed by Adam Wainwright of St. Louis (97) and World Series MVP Madison Bumgarner of San Francisco (28).

"As far as the regular season is concerned, it was a ton of fun," Kershaw said after the MLB Network telecast.

Voting was completed be-

fore the start of the post-season. Kershaw went 0-2 with a 7.82 ERA in a Division Series loss to St. Louis, leaving him at 1-5 with a 5.12 ERA in his post-season career.

Kluber received 17 of 30 first-place votes and 169 points, while King Felix got 13 firsts and 159 points. Chris Sale of the Chicago White Sox was third with 78 points.

A 28-year-old right-hander, Kluber went 18-9 to tie for the AL lead in wins. He had a 2.44 ERA in his first full major-league season and 269 strikeouts, two behind league leader David Price. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

ATP Finals. Raonic desperately searching for his powerful serve

Canadian Milos Raonic tried to repair his ailing service game Wednesday ahead of his must-win match against Japan's Kei Nishikori at the ATP Finals.

Raonic struggled in his first two round-robin matches at the season-ending event, bowing out in straight sets to Roger Federer on Sunday and Andy Murray on Tuesday.

The Canadian's powerful serve has been rather muted at the O2 Arena, with noticeable drops in both speed and first-serve percentage. Raonic was looking for solutions in Wednesday's practice session with coaches Ivan Ljubicic and Riccardo Piatti.

"Whatever the reason is, I have 24 hours to solve it," Raonic said. "I'm going to need to (fix it) if I want to have any hope. There's no way around that. It's something I've got to do."

Raonic entered the eight-man tournament brimming



Milos Raonic GETTY IMAGES

with confidence. He knocked off Federer for the first time at the recent Paris Masters before falling to Novak Djokovic in the final.

Raonic, from Thornhill, Ont., and Nishikori are both making their first appearances at the event. Nishikori, who's enjoying a breakout season, was the runner-up at the U.S. Open in September.

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Fatal car accident

Taveras was drunk at time of crash, official says

Dominican officials say St. Louis Cardinals rookie outfielder Oscar Taveras was drunk at the time of his fatal car crash last month.

A spokeswoman for the attorney general's office in the Dominican Republic told The Associated Press on Wednesday that toxicology reports showed Taveras had a blood-alcohol level five times the legal limit when he lost control of his car on a highway in Puerto Plata. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Soccer

Canadian U20s earn draw against England

Jordan Hamilton scored in second-half stoppage time to lift the Canadian under-20 soccer team to a 2-2 tie with England on Wednesday.

Hamilton's goal came on a volley after a Canadian free kick was stopped.

The Canadian team is in Europe to prepare for the CONCACAF Under-20 Championship in January in Jamaica.

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Do what you can with what you have and you will get what you need. Too many people expect life to come to them, but you're far too smart to be one of them.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Your powers of self-discipline will be tested over the next 24 hours. You will pass easily. But a harder test is on its way.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You enjoy soMe drama in your life but you need stability too. You'll be delighted to discover there are people you can turn to when things get tough.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You can patch up a relationship that has turned sour in recent weeks. Make the first approach and you will be heartened to learn a loved one is as eager as you to kiss and make up.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

There will be heart-warming moments today but don't let them detract from other important matters. A new relationship may be a lot of fun but family and financial issues have to be dealt with too.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

The planets urge you to face up to what worries you the most. You may be surprised to discover that what you have been trying to avoid is actually quite exciting.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

A financial problem you have been struggling with for weeks or months can be resolved, especially if you are prepared to listen to the advice of an older and wiser colleague.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

No matter who depends on you there are certain things you must do for yourself over the next 24 hours. An opportunity to improve your status must be seized immediately.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

No matter how bruised your ego is, today will delight you. Don't worry about keeping on top of your routine. There will be plenty of time to catch up later in the month.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You need to approach serious issues in a serious manner. If you let things drift people are liable to get on your case and your reputation could suffer.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

The tension that has been a feature of your emotional life of late will ease somewhat over the next 24 hours. Even routine tasks will seem less of a chore.

♓ Pisces

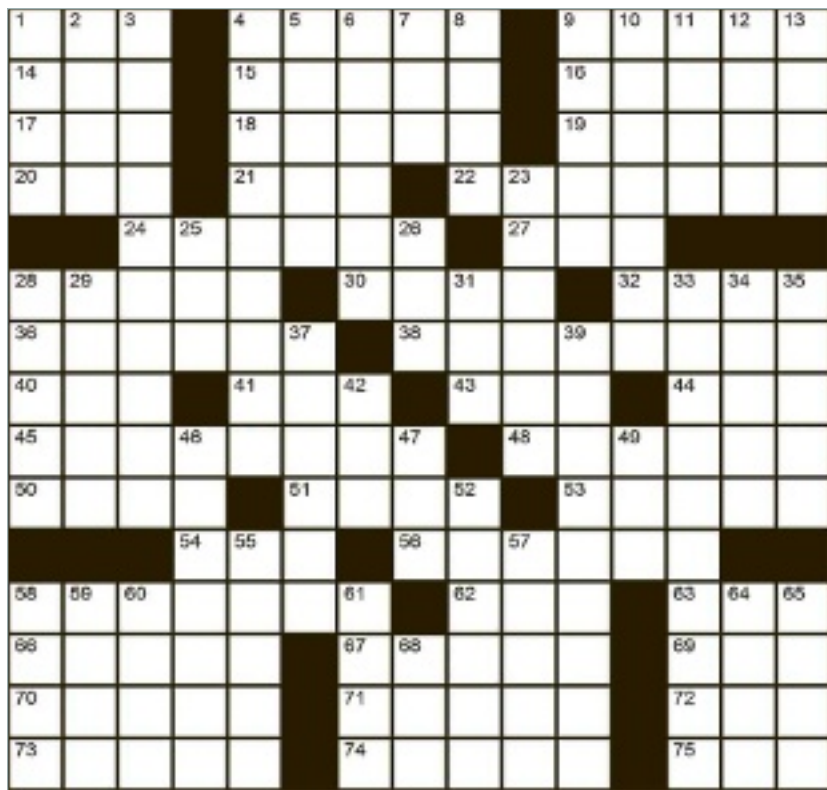
Feb. 20 - March 20

Today's Venus-Saturn link means you can patch things up with a friend. Sometimes a relationship can benefit from a dispute, especially if it clears the air.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

Across

- Say "I do."
- Hamilton's nickname, ___ City
- The Big ___ (Attraction in Colborne, ON)
- Past
- Safari outfit hue
- Hold up
- Pro
- Got smart, ___ up
- Particular purple
- T.O. transport provider
- Mr. Frehley
- Ads-emailed-in-bulk source
- Interrupt the stand-up
- Fiber ___ (Cereal brand)
- Depart, poetically
- Incision
- Health food berry
- Dominica's capital
- BC's provincial bird, ___ Jay
- Summer hrs. acronym
- NB: Saint John Airport code
- Antacid brand
- San Francisco's ___ Hill
- Lea Michele or Chris Colfer: 2 wds.
- Newfoundland town; or, Neptune moon
- Rockefeller Center muralist
- Overlook
- University bldgs.
- Large bird



- ___ du Soleil
- Reflection gives
- Romanian currency
- Seed holder
- Prefix to 'clast' (Image breaker)
- Surface
- New in Toronto, ___ Khan Museum
- Actor Lorenzo

- Ladies' men
- Blood hue
- CBC's "Republic of ___"
- Apprehensive feeling
- Golf peg

Down

- Float, as a scent
- Rita Moreno is one

of the few artists to have won all four major showbiz awards, known together by this acronym
3. NB village; or, former name of Montreal's Boulevard Rene-Levesque
4. New in Vancouver, ___ Lodge Aboriginal

- Hotel & Gallery
- Syrupy
- Conference room chart supports
- Supplement
- Container closers
- Commercials gig
- Canadian breakfast serving, ___ bacon
- Fruit type
- Bathe

- Observer
- Strong/effective
- Summer: French
- Chicago trains
- Mr. Kinnear's
- George Gershwin co-composed tune: "Tee-___-Un-Bum-Bo"
- 'Meteor' suffix
- Hairstyle wearer's preference, perhaps: 2 wds.
- "___ with a View" (1985)
- Book codes, briefly
- The Beatles played Shea Stadium during it in '65: 2 wds.
- "Still In Line" by Canadian emcee/producer ___ feat. Promise
- Jelly
- Lasting
- Mr. Ocasek
- Promissory note
- Kitchen floors surface
- Canuck creature
- Respite
- Balmy
- Flight-related UN Agency headquartered in Montreal [acronym]
- "___ and Michele's High School Reunion" (1997)
- Big tale
- Arch type
- Florida: Miami-___ County
- Stimpy's pal

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Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

2	7	9	5	8	1	4	3	6
1	4	6	3	9	7	5	8	2
5	3	8	6	2	4	7	9	1
4	2	1	7	6	8	9	5	3
7	9	3	4	5	2	6	1	8
8	6	5	1	3	9	2	4	7
3	8	7	9	4	6	1	2	5
9	1	2	8	7	5	3	6	4
6	5	4	2	1	3	8	7	9

					1		2	
	9				8	6		
		2						7
7				8	5	9		
	5						3	
		3	4	2				6
5						1		
		6	5				4	
	2		7					

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